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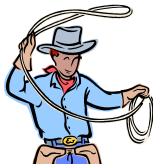
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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA



Experience the Wild, Wild West At Cub Scout Day Camp

A boy joins Cub Scouting because somewhere he saw or heard that Scouting provides the excitement and fun of camping and the great outdoors. He wants to share that excitement with the members of his den and with his parents as a member of his own Cub Scout Pack. Give your Cub Scouts what they are looking for a great summer outdoor program, by participating in Cub Day Camp, Hoover Summer Camp or Owasippe Webelos II Camp. For more information, see the web site www.chicagobsa.org/camping.htm or call

Arrowhead:

Moraine Valley Community Church – July 27-29

Camp Director Susan Callan
Cost \$45 (by May 15 otherwise \$50) includes t-shirt, patch & photo. Program: Archery, BB's, leather, western games, and rodeo roundup.

Fort Dearborn:

North Park Village – June 22-24

Program Director Cynthia Redwood
Cost \$50 includes t-shirt & patch. Program: archery, leather, western games, and rodeo roundup.

Greater Southside:

Abbott Park – June 22-24

Camp Director Emmanuel Lawrence
Cost \$45 (by May 31st), includes t-shirt & patch. Program: archery & other shooting sports, western games, swimming or sports, and crafts and activities.

Indian Trails:

North Park Village – June 22-24

Camp Director Shar Wyatt
Cost \$50 included t-shirt & patch. Program: archery, leather, western games, and rodeo roundup.

Iroquois:

West Lawn Park – July 23

Camp Director Dan Brady
\$25 (by June 30, otherwise \$30) includes t-shirt, patch, lunch and program materials. Program: western games, crafts and much more.

River Trails:

Archer Park – June 4

Camp Director Ed Melkonian
\$5 includes patch. T-shirt available for purchase. Western themed activities. Held in conjunction with District Pow Wow.

Western Trails:

Garfield Park – July 2

Camp Director Arthur Matthews
\$20 included patch & t-shirt. Western themed activities, crafts & games.

Leadership:

Each pack provides its own leadership through parents, leaders and other family members. All camp leaders (Tour Leaders or Main Leaders) must be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America. National BSA policy requires two deep adult leadership. A minimum of two adults must be in camp. A Scout to adult ratio of five to one is required at day camp. Please speak with Day Camp Director regarding any exceptions.

Health History:

A completed health history form, signed by a parent/legal guardian is due with final payment of fees. EVERY PERSON in camp must turn in a health history form including adults and parent

Scout Executive's Message

Dear Fellow Scouter:

In this month's edition of the *Scouter* newsletter you will notice the importance each district has placed on spring recruitment. It is the National Boy Scouts of America's objective to serve as many youth as possible. At mid year, we as a council will strive to support that objective by emphasizing Tiger Cub recruitment and Webelos –To- Scout transition.

Why is this so relevant? As a registered volunteer receiving this publication, you are well aware of the benefits the Scouting program has not only provided your son but your family and your local community. It is our hope to provide this experience to all deserving youth. What boy would not want to take part in the upcoming spring activities scheduled to take place this month, camporees, pow-wows, kite flites? Any boy would enjoy these activities.

On May 18th, the Chicago Area Council's NESA Chapter will honor the Eagle Scout Class of 2005. This event recognizes the young men that achieved the rank of Eagle between March, 2004 and March, 2005. For these young men, Scouting has been a large part of their lives. I am sure they can't imagine their childhoods without spring camporees, day camps and summer camp. Yet, so many kids in Chicago may not get a chance to have those childhood memories because they have not learned about the exciting program that awaits them.

As you review this month's issue of the *Scouter* newsletter, I want to reiterate the need to focus on spring recruitment. We can serve so many more boys this month and for years to come if we simply let them know about our program.

Yours in Scouting,

••••• JOB OPPORTUNITY!! •••••

• The Chicago Scout Shop is seeking a quali-

• fied person to fill the role of satellite manager.

• This person must have a high school diploma

• or equivalent.

• Please send resume to:

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• Erma Forest,

• Scout Shop Manager,

• 1218 West Adams Street,

• Chicago, IL 60607

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The Chicago Area Council serves over 57,000 different youth in the city of Chicago and suburbs of Alsip, Blue Island, Bridgeview, Burbank, Calumet Park, Chicago Ridge, Cicero, Evergreen Park, Harwood Heights, Hickory Hills, Hometown, Merrionette Park, Norridge, Oak Lawn, Palos Heights, Palos Hills, Palos Park, Robbins and Worth.

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 **ORDER OF THE ARROW**
Any comments or questions regarding the Order of the Arrow should be directed to our Lodge Adviser, Ted Kumzi at (708) 425-7445. e:mail: tkumzi@matsci.com - website: http://www.owasippelodge.com

Memorial Work Weekend 2005

OWASIPPE LODGE

May 27 – 30, 2005 Owasippe Scout Reservation Twin Lakes, Michigan

Fun and fellowship is being offered to all who participate on this great weekend. The outing is open to all members, Fathers and friends who wish to come and provide some service to our summer camp. The leisure activities will provide opportunities for hiking, boating, horseshoes, volleyball, and fishing.

NOTE: Non-members are WELCOME and ENCOURAGED to attend this event. This is great opportunity for a special father & son weekend. Anyone requiring more information may contact Ray Galassi or Ted Kumzi.

Chapter or District: _____ Youth [] (under 21) Adult []

Name: _____ Unit _____

Address: _____

City / Zip: _____ Phone: _____

We need hammers, shovels, rakes, etc. We ask, if possible, that you aid Owasippe by bringing these tools to camp for the weekend to ease some of the burden. If you are able to bring any of these tools be sure to label them with your name and unit number.

[] Yes! I'm a skilled laborer and will be more than happy to loan my skills on this weekend.

Labor Skill: _____

[] I am a Certified BSA Lifeguard (needed to help run waterfront activities)

[] I will require a camp tent to be set up for me.

FEES:

[] \$18.00 Includes meals and special commemorative patch -

[] Scouter [] Non Scouter

[] \$3.00 for additional commemorative patch

Registration Deadline is Friday May 20, 2005

Make checks payable to:

Chicago Area Council, BSA (Account # 900125)

Mail Registration to: Owasippe Lodge

c/o Chicago Area Council

1218 W Adams Street

Chicago, Il 60607 – 2802

Medical Release:

In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by a designated representative of the Boy Scouts of America to authorize emergency of surgical treatment. Routine nonsurgical medical care, hospitalize, secure proper anesthesia, or to order injection(s). The person described above is in good health, all required immunizations current, and assume the health responsibility for the individual.

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Emergency Contact Number _____

* If applicant is under 18 years of age a parent or guardian must sign.



ADVANCEMENT

ADVANCEMENT CHAIRMAN STAFF ADVISOR
Andy Engels Joe Stocchero

We have had a couple recent problems with merit badges. These were procedural problems on the adult side so we'll try to cover them here.

The correct procedure for a Scout to earn a merit badge is as follows:

- 1) The Scout decides he wants to work on a merit badge.
- 2) He asks his Scoutmaster for approval.
- 3) If the SM thinks the Scout can do the work (for example, for Plant Science, the Scout must grow a plot of some plant like corn or cotton, and he lives in an apartment – might be a problem, if he visits a relative's farm over the summer, it may not be), the SM assigns a Merit Badge Counselor, and signs an Application for Merit Badge card (aka a "blue card.")
- 4) The Scout contacts the Merit Badge Counselor to set up an initial appointment.
- 5) The Scout, with his buddy, meets with the counselor. The counselor explains what is expected of the Scout to meet the requirements of the badge.
- 6) When the Scout knows what is expected, he can start to learn and do the things required.
- 7) The counselor will help the Scout learn the things he needs to know or do.
- 8) There may be one or more additional meetings to cover the subject matter and meet the requirements.
- 9) There will be one final meeting where all the work will be summed up and, if the counselor feels the requirements have been met, he or she will sign the Application for Merit Badge, keeping one section, and returning the other two sections to the Scout.
- 10) The Scout returns his 2 segments of the blue card to his Scoutmaster who will sign and approve that the counselor has completed working with the Scout.
- 11) The troop will award the cloth patch at the next possible meeting and award the card showing completion at the next court of honor.

The Scout may not work on a merit badge until after he has met with his counselor for the first time.

This is the required procedure for earning a merit badge from the Boy Scouts of America. It is not a guideline nor is it optional.

It has been a common practice in some areas to have the Scout do all the work up front and meet with the counselor only to receive the approval procedure. This is incorrect and violates the basic philosophy of the merit badge program.

Working with a merit badge counselor gives Scouts contact with an adult with whom they might not be acquainted. This is a valuable experience.

Scouts may find their life's work through the merit badge program. If conducted improperly, the Scout won't get any benefit other than a merit badge. If he doesn't learn anything, what's the point?

Questions on this topic

Q) It doesn't say this process is required in the merit badge pamphlet, isn't this adding a requirement?

A) No. Please see page 22 of the Boy Scout Requirements 2005. The ultimate authority for all requirements in the Boy Scout program rests in this book. We asked for confirmation from BSA anyway and they state that this is the required procedure, not a guideline. This is considered a general requirement for a merit badge and the specific requirements are under each individual merit badge.

Q) What if a Scout has contacted me, his counselor, for sports merit badge, and he is already playing baseball. Can I credit him for this season or must he wait until after we have talked the first time to begin counting his season?

A) That is one of the things you will negotiate with the Scout at his first meeting. If it fits the requirements and he has not started any other work ahead of time, it may be acceptable. If, for example, it's hiking merit badge, he must have a plan before going on his first hike, which would require a meeting with you first.

Q) We've always done it this way. Why should we change now?

A) This has been a requirement for many years. If you always did it that way, it was being done incorrectly and not within the requirements of BSA. They set this rule so we must follow it.

RELIGIOUS AWARDS

Day Hike for Catholic Scouts!

The Archdiocese of Chicago, Catholic Committee on Scouting, welcomes all units with Catholic Scouts to attend the Second Annual Solving the Mystery of Mundelein Day Hike on Saturday, June 11, 2005 at Mundelein Seminary, Mundelein, IL!

Last year this event was sold out, and units were turned away. Please register early!!!

What is Solving the Mystery of Mundelein Hike? It is two awesome trails through the grounds of the world class St. Mary of the Lake University and Mundelein Seminary! We offer a Cub Scout trail and a Boy Scout/Venture trail.

Each trail is chock full of camporee style stations for youth to meet, greet and share with priests, seminarians and laity about various aspects of the Catholic faith!

All hikers end the trail at the Mundelein Chapel with a prayer service! Prayer is followed by a barbeque picnic lunch!

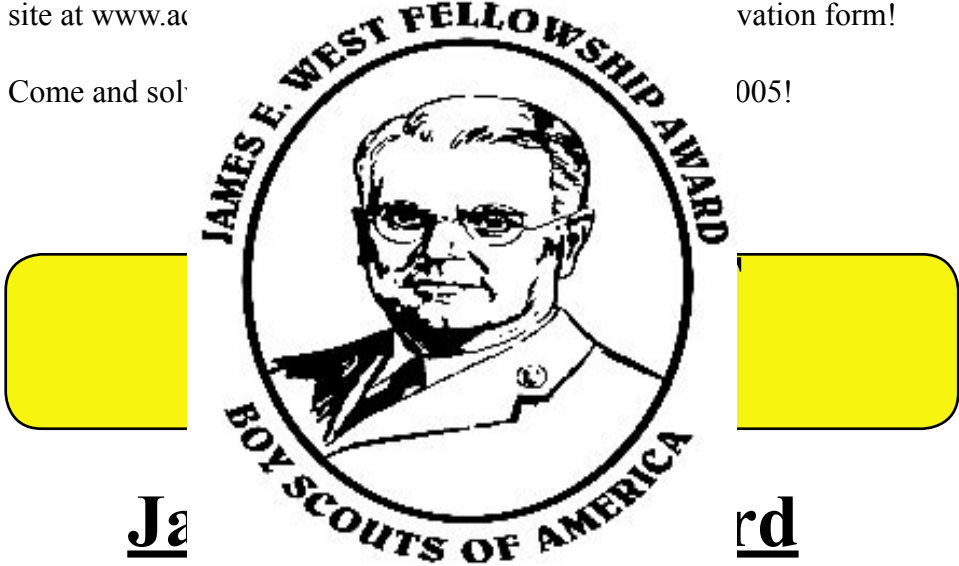
The hike check in starts at 9: 30 AM and first unit on the trail no later than 10 AM. The event ends by 3 PM!

Faith sharing, food, fun, and a patch all for just \$5.00 a person! Units are required to present a BSA Tour Permit at check in!!

To register, contact Dr. Gil or go to the Catholic Committee on Scouting web site at www.catholiccommitteeonscouting.org

Come and solve

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An integral part of the Chicago Area Council's program to expand its endowment trust fund and ensure the future financial stability of the council is the James E. West Fellowship Award. Named after the first Chief Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts of America, it is a national recognition for those who contribute \$1,000 or more in cash or securities to our council's endowment fund. It is important to note that a qualifying gift for recognition as a James E. West Fellow is in addition to, and does not diminish or replace, the donor's annual gift to the council's Friends of Scouting campaign. Organizations or individuals may contribute an award in honor of someone, an Eagle Scout, a Silver Beaver recipient, or significant Scout leader, or in memory of a departed loved one, business associate, or special Scouter. Each donor will be recognized with a personalized 8 x 10 certificate, distinctive lapel pin/charm and an embroidered square knot. Application forms are available from the council service center or members of our professional staff.



MAY DISTRICT CALENDARS

Arrowhead

- 3District Dinner 6:30 p.m. Garden Chalet, 11000 S. Ridgeland Ave, Worth
- 10Management Team Meeting- 7:30 p.m., St. Germaine’s Parish Hall, 4240 W. 98th St. Oak Lawn
- 17OA. Chapter Meeting- 7:30 p.m., 1st United Methodist Church, 100th & Central, Oak Lawn,
- 24Roundtable- 7:30 p.m., St. Germaine’s Parish Hall, 4240 W. 98th St. Oak Lawn



Fort Dearborn

- 4Key 3 Meets
- 11District Meeting at the Bethlehem United Church of Christ 2746 North Magnolia 7:00pm.
- 13-15Spring Camporee- Chain-O Lakes State Park
- 18District Roundtable - Queen of Angels Community Center 4412 North Western Ave. 7:30pm
- Order of the Arrow Chapter Meeting – Queen of Angels Community Center 4412 North Western, 2nd Floor at 7:30pm.
- 25Fort Dearborn District Annual Recognition Dinner- LaVilla Restaurant 3638 North Pulaski 6:00pm Reception 7:00pm Dinner
- 27-30Friends of Fort Dearborn Weekend at Owasippi Scout Reservation

Greater Southside

- 7Greater Southside Kite Flying Derby 2005
- 19Roundtable @ Zion Hill M.B.C. from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Management Team meeting immediately preceding Roundtable, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- 20-22Spring Camporee 2005.
- Outdoor Leader Skills Training at Camp Falcon/Sullivan, 147th St. and Oak Park Ave. Cost: \$20.00 per participant.
- Three meals will be provided.
- 21Cub Scout Camporee 2005
- 26Council Woodbadge Dinner

Indian Trails

- 7Polish Constitution Day Parade
- March w/ new units 985/3985 from the Joseph Conrad Yacht Club
- 10District Staff Meeting – 16th Precinct CPD
- 17District Commissioners’ Mtg. 7:30pm Our Lady of Victory –Sunnyside and Laramie.
- 18Eagle Scout Recognition Dinner
- 20-22Spring Camporee – Hoover
- 21Coast Guard Station Wilmette Harbor Open House/ Water Safety Day
- 24District Roundtable – Our Lady of Victory
- 25OA Chapter Meeting – Edgebrook Golf Course - 5900 N. Central Avenue
- 30Scout Day at Comiskey Park (US Cellular Field)



Iro-

- 6-8Boy Scout Leader Training, 6:00 p.m., Camp Hoover (Yorkville, IL)
- 11District Committee Meeting. 7:00 p.m., Clearing Library, 6423 W. 63rd Pl.
- District Commissioner’s Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Clearing Library, 6423 W. 63rd Pl.
- 18Roundtable St. Symphorosa, 7:30 p.m., 6135 S. Austin
- 26Order of the Arrow Meeting, 7:30 p.m.St. Mary Star of the Sea- Kelly Building, 6424 S. Kenneth

River Trails

- 3Key 3 Meeting
- 10District Annual Business Meeting 7:00pm
- District Meeting– Commissioners meeting 7:30pm , Five Holy Martyrs Church, 4327 S. Richmond St.
- 14District Recognition Dinner-Five Holy Martyrs
- 17Roundtable –CS/BS camp promotion7:00 p.m., Five Holy Martyrs, 4321 S Richmond St.



Western Trails

- 3Key 3 Meeting, CAC, 1218 W. Adams
- 10Management Team Meeting, 6:30 p.m., New Morning Star Church, 206 S. Hamlin
- Commissioner Meeting, 7:30 p.m., New Morning Star Church, 206 S. Hamlin
- 17Roundtable, 7:00 p.m., New Morning Star Church, 206 S. Hamlin

Venturing / YPA

- 7Sea Scout Youth Summit Columbia Yacht Club, 111 N Lake Shore Dr., 10:00 am
- 10Sea Scout Operating Committee, 1218 W Adams, Chicago Area Council, 7:00 pm
- 28Youth Presidents Association, 1218 W Adams, Chicago Area Council, 12:30 pm

Western Trails District

District Chairman Vacant District Commissioner James McCarley	District Executive Arthur Matthews Support Service Chenise Smith
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Friends of Scouting

Western Trails 2005 Friends of Scouting (FOS) Campaign is coming to a close. We would like to thank all units that participated by hosting family presentations, along with their family friends and leaders who so generously gave financial support. The money raised is used to purchase recruitment flyers, posters, training videotapes, merit badge cards, and so much more. The money donated also goes to support our campership program which helps send boys to camp who may not otherwise have the opportunity. We would also like to thank our 2005 FOS Chairman, Ernest Jenkins for spearheading our community campaign, and all the staff at the WACA Network for their continued support.

Training

Attention leaders! A trained leader provides a quality program and safety for youth. All units have the opportunity to reach quality status, helping Western Trails reach quality district for 2005. Please contact Arthur Mathews for information on training dates, in or out of district.

Merit Badge Work

Attention all units! For all youth looking to work on woodwork merit badges, contact Mr. McCarley for counseling.

Roundtable

Western Trails District's Roundtable is the third Tuesday of the month at New Morning Star Church, located at 206 S. Hamlin. Roundtable is a two hour interactive meeting focusing on the next month's theme. Our packs and troops are encouraged to have a representative at the roundtable. Your Senior Patrol Leader should also be in attendance. For more information on roundtable contact, Emmanuel Lawrence or Christopher Shaw, Roundtable Staff.

Cub Scout Day Camp

Attention Cub Scout leaders! Giddy up for this year's "Wild Wild West" Day Camp, to be held at Garfield Park, 100 N. Central Park Drive. \$20 pre-registration is mandatory. All Cub Scouts, Tigers to Webelos may attend. Staff positions still need to be filled. For further information please contact Dorothy Dukes or Arthur Mathews.

Summer Camp

Western Trails will host our Annual Provisional Troop attending Camp Blackhawk in 2005. If your scouts or leaders are interested in attending, please contact Emmanuel Lawrence.



River Trails District

District Chairman Martin Cabrera District Commissioner Sue Castillo District Director Roberto Colon		OA Chapter Advisor - Kittan Chapter Dan Stegvilas Support Service Chenise Smith
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Roundtable 2005

Our District roundtables are held at Five Holy Marty's Church, 4327 S. Richmond St. at 7:00 p.m. We encourage all leaders to attend and invite your unit committee members to join us at these monthly meetings.

Commissioners meeting

The commissioners meetings are every month before our district meeting at Five Holy Martyrs Church. The meeting time is 7:30pm All commissioner staff are invited and expected.

2005 District FOS Campaign already on the go!

All units should contact Francisco Sandoval and Stan Yuska. Let us participate as a team and pledge on a timely manner to support our district 2005 Family FOS campaign. Additional information at roundtables, District meetings, or by contacting Roberto. Remember that our family campaign is held from January to March 2005.

Advancement

George Vanderford is our advancement chair, all unit advancement forms must be forwarded to him. Any eagle board of review must be coordinated and submitted by his committee. Please take note !

Training ...All units!

An opportunity to have all your leaders trained...Contact our training chair Mr. Thomas Zriny. This is a requirement for quality unit; for the safety of our youth and for a quality program.

District Recognition Dinner

The District Recognition Dinner will be Saturday, May 14th at Five Holy Martyrs . Please call Ed Leahy, activity chair. All River Trails scouters and family are cordially invited. Make your reservations today or at our district meetings or roundtable meetings.

May 2005

All District Committee Members, Members at Large and Charter Representatives and District Committee members... May 10th , 2005 River Trails District Annual Business meeting....at Five Holy Martyrs. Any nomination can be sent to our service center at 1218 W Adams St., Chicago, IL 60607 attn: Roberto Colon
Set the date on your calendars!

River Trails Eagle Scouts....

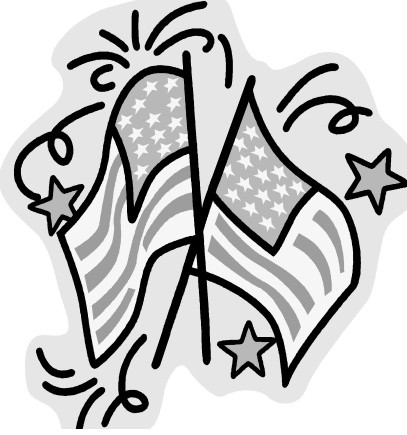
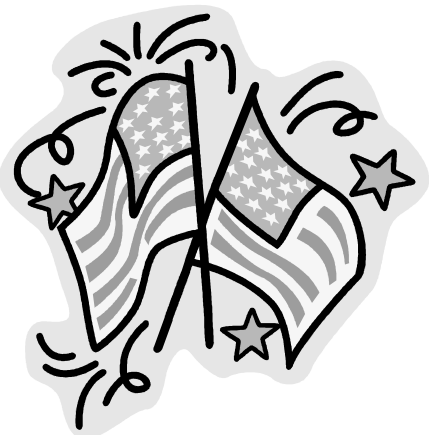
Congratulations Eagle Scouts Eduardo Duran and Scott A. Zriny from Troop 306 sponsored by St Agnes Catholic Church. They wer presented Scouting's highest award on Saturday, April 23 at St. Agnes Gymnasium at 10:30 am.

Softball Time at River Trails...

The Blue and Gold Softball League team registration for 2005 season will be held on Monday April 18th &:30 pm at St Turibius , 57th and Karlov. Any registered Cub Scouts, Tiger to Webelos, can sign up INDIVIDUALLY for Cub Scout Softball. Please call Stan Yuska. Please remember that all registrations must be in by May 5th, 2005.

Summer Pow Wow

June 4th Archer Park. 44th and Richmond The next planning meetings are April 28th and May 26th at Five Holy Martyrs at 7:30pm . All Cub Scouts and Boy Scout leaders are invited to these meetings. Our activity chair is Mr. Ed Melkonian. The unit fee is \$20.00; youth member /adults \$5.00. Sign up your unit today....



District Chairman
Joe Loduca

District Commissioner
Ted Golab

District Executive
Josh Oswalt

Iroquois District



OA Chapter Advisor - Gete Manitu Chapter
Conrad Zadlo, Sr.

Support Service
Chenise Smith

2005 Friends of Scouting.

Before you were invited to join Scouting, someone stood in your same place and made a contribution to support Scouting’s efforts. This contribution opened the doors for you and your son to join and be a part of something grand. Please remember, this is for the youth. We are only half-way to our Family Friends of Scouting (FOS) Goal and need your help! So far, \$3,000 has been raised and we have \$3,000 to go. If you have not already given a presentation date, this is the last month to do so. The youth in our community are counting on us to help provide the resources used to invite them into Scouting and the great things Scouting has to offer. We are narrowing in on our goal and success is in sight!!

Extra “Thank You’s” go to our presenters who assisted with giving our family presentations: Jerry Brown, Joe Gorz, Cindy Loszach, and Chuck Salamon. Thank you for helping Iroquois District “Lead the Way!”

Spring Recruitments

Ah, spring!! The cold is finally going away, flowers are blooming and Scouts are going camping!!! Our best activities are quickly approaching upon us! Pow-Wow, Day Camp (Cub Scouts), Boy Scout Camp, Webelos Camp, Parent-Pal Weekends, and of course the Fishing Derby!!! In the next three months, our Scouts will have more to do then they can imagine! It is also the time of year, they look forward to the most. A chance to practice their skills and just have F-U-N ! ! ! If you have not done recruitment in April, the month of May is the last chance to hold a recruitment night. The new boys will get to know their new pack or troop before they hit the trails! Boy Scouts will head off straight to summer camp for horseback riding, sailing, shooting sports, and much more! Cub Scouts will attend their first Pow-wow, then a Wild Wild West Day Camp, and fishing too! Kindergartners will have the opportunity to join as they will be graduating into first grade soon! Please contact your District Executive, Josh Oswalt to set-up your invitational night of F-U-N ! ! !

Cub Scout Day Camp – “Wild Wild West”

On Saturday, July 23, 2005 the 4th Annual Iroquois Day Camp will be held at West Lawn Park – 4233 W. 65th St. from 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. Cost is \$25.00 and is due by July 2, 2005. All Cub Scouts from Tigers to Webelos may attend. Please include the youth’s rank that they will be this fall. Staff positions still need to be filled. For further information, please call Dan Brady. Look for flyers at roundtable!

Boy Scout Leader Training

Just a quick reminder, The Outdoor Skills training will be held on May 6th through May 8th at Camp Hoover (Yorkville, IL). Prior to the training, everyone should have had an opportunity to get to meet everyone in your patrol. If you have not, contact the District Executive Josh Oswalt ASAP!!! The training will last a weekend that will begin Friday night and carry through until Sunday morning. You will leave on Sunday fully trained!!! The cost for training will be \$30 and will include all materials, trained patch, and a copy of the Scoutmaster Handbook and Troop Committee Guide book!!!! Any questions should be directed to training coordinator, Jeff Nowik. For more details, please attend the Iroquios District roundtables.

Cub Scout Leader Training

Congratulations on completing another year in Scouting! Now, is the time to begin to prepare for your new roles in the fall! Cub Scout training will be taking place tentatively on Saturday, May 21st . Check in is at 8:30am with a 9am start. The training will be completed at approximately 3:30pm @ St. Symphorosa Sharp Center. If you are a new leader to Scouting or changing positions, start of on the right foot with training for your role. If you change positions, you need to come get trained in that position only. For further information, please call Diane Brady. Cost will be \$12 and will include trained patch, lunch, coffee & doughnuts, and all training materials.

Webelos Camp @ Owasippe. The Scouts who will be Webelos II in the fall are eligible to make their first trip to the famous OWASIPPE! On July 31 – August 4 @ Camp Wolverine. The cost is \$150 for Scouts and \$75 for adults by May 31st. Each pack needs two leaders and a minimum of 1 leader per 5 scouts. See flyer for details. If you have issues with leaders contact Ed Healy and we will attempt to pair packs up to support one another!

Charters

Special appreciation goes to the unit leaders who performed the daunting task of CHARTER PAPERWORK!!!! Thanks to your persistence and diligence, 82% of the Iroquois District Scouting Units have turned in their charter’s on time!!!! WOO! HOO!

However, we are so close to meeting Quality Units. Most of our units only need training and/or an assistant Cubmaster or assistant Scoutmaster. If you need training or help selecting additional leaders, Contact the District Commissioner Ted Golab ASAP so the commissioner staff can assist you in being successful. The only way Iroquois District can be quality is if there are quality units to support it!!

Pow-wow

The Iroquios District’s Pow-Wow will be held June 10-12th at Camp Hoover in Yorkville, IL. Lots of fun activities are planned and guaranteed fun is in sight! Take your units out one more time before the end of the school year and start off the camping season in style! St. Daniel the Prophet will be hosting the Cub Scout activities and will look for volunteers from each Pack to help with stations. The swimming pool will be available for an afternoon swim!! For more information keep an eye out at the Roundtables!!!!

Blue & Gold Softball. Hey SWING batta!!! An inter-district softball tournament has been held for the last several years between Iroquois and our norten rivals River Trails! We are seeking more Packs to participate in 14 inch softball with 7 innings. Tigers through 2nd year Webelos may sign up! Come to the managers meeting by calling John Rak.



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Venturing Executive/YPA Staff Advisor
Conrad Gilbert

YPA Hotline

Summer Time Activity

We have a couple of major events that are taking place that are open to the Chicago Area Council. The softball tournament will be held June 25 at Skinner Park behind the Council Service Center, starting at 9:00am. Last year we had 4 teams, the 12th District Explorers won the games and received a trophy.

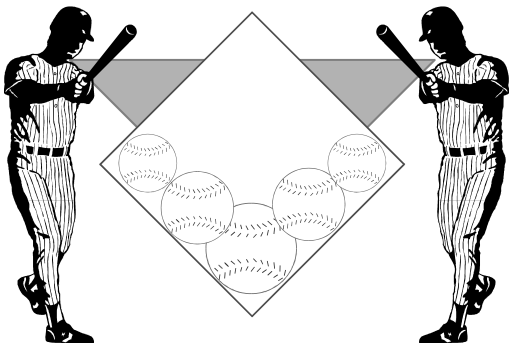
The second event this summer will be a Beach Party on July 16th at Lawrence Ave Beach at 2:00pm. We had about 75 youth in 2004, we expect approximately 200 this year. Food, games and swimming were the order of the day. The council puts on these events in order for the youth in Exploring, Venturing and Sea Scouts to come together for a great time.

More information will be sent out to all Crews, Ships and Posts in the Chicago Area Council. Please respond immediately as to your attendance when you get the flyers and YPA calendar.

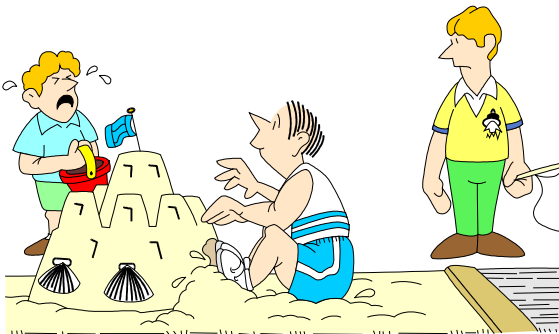
Membership

The focus is to bring new youth to the program as you complete your re-charters. For each unit, this is a good way of monitoring the excitement of your programs. If you have no growth or are losing youth this could mean a new emphasis should be explored. The real challenge is for us, as leaders, to provide exciting interactive programs for our young adults. We want to give them direction and allow tem to grow as leaders. Remember these programs for our young adults should be youth lead, with guidance from the advisors, it’s their program.

If you have any questions regarding your re-chartering contact Conrad Gilbert.



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Roundtable

Our next roundtable will be held on May 19th at Zion Hill Mt. Baptist Church, located at 1460 W. 78th St. Roundtable begins promptly at 7:00 p.m. and ends at 8:00 p.m. All registered BSA leaders, new leaders and guests are welcome. Our management team meets immediately beforehand at 6:00 p.m. Roundtable is your opportunity to voice your concerns and share your ideas with others. In order to better serve you as a council, we encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity. We have many new and exciting things planned for this year....see you on the 19th!

Kevin Warmack

The Greater Southside was proud to recently announce Mr. Kevin Warmack as the recipient of the Roundtable Distinguished Leader Award for March 2005. In recognition of Kevin’s roundtable attendance and endless dedication to Greater Southside and the Chicago Area Council, we are proud to recognize him as one of our finest leaders. Mr. Warmack received a certificate and official mug from the council, as well as a porcelain replica BSA Eagle paperweight. Congratulations Kevin and thank you!!

Charters

Recharters are now DUE at the council office, located at 1218 W. Adams. Please be sure to bring in your charters and all pertinent information as soon as possible! We still have some outstanding March charters that MUST be turned in BEFORE THE END OF MAY, or else those corresponding units will lose their BSA charter, membership, and tenure PERMANENTLY. May recharters need to come in, as well. Please contact your District Executives with any questions or concerns.

Recruitments

Recruiting, recruiting, recruiting.....we can never get enough of it! As always, we’re gearing up to continue our recruiting efforts in 2005. 2004 was an extremely successful year for the Greater Southside, as we managed to recruit over 400 new Scouts into the program! Our aim is to surpass what we have done in 2004. Please contact your District Executives, Dwayne Hunter and Alexander Gellineau, to schedule recruitment times and dates.

Kite Flying Derby 2005

Anyone up for some warm weather? How about a little fun on the beach? And just for kicks, how about bringing your kite down for some kite flying fun? The Greater Southside will host its annual Kite Flying Derby this year at Oakwood Beach, located just east of 39th St. and Oakwood Blvd. The event is scheduled for Saturday, May 7, 2005 from 10 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and there is no cost for this event. So come one, come all and be prepared to soak up some sun on the lakefront!

Spring Camporee

Spring is finally here again! FINALLY! And everyone knows what that means....it’s time to do some serious outdoor camping! (Everyone knows that we Scouters camp at all times, no matter how warm or cold it is, but let’s face it, we always welcome the warmer

weather!) That being said, the spring camporee is set for the weekend of May 20th through the 22nd, 2005, and is open to all Boy Scouts and their adult leaders. The cost is \$8.00 per Scout, and pre-registration is required by Friday, May 13th. (Hope that doesn’t scare you!) If you do not register before May 13th, a \$2.00 penalty fee per participant will be enforced, NO EXCEPTIONS. You may register in person at the council office, or if you prefer, you may send the council your payment and registration information via mail or fax. If none of these options work for you and you are computer savvy, a final option is for you to pay for the event via the council website at www.chicagobsa.org. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Mr. Kevin Warmack, Boy Scout Chairman, or Mr. Emmanuel Lawrence, Boy Scout Activities Chairman. Please plan accordingly for inclement weather.

Cub Scout Camporee

In addition to hosting the spring camporee, Camp Falcon/Sullivan will also host the Cub Scout Camporee on May 21st from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The cost for this event is \$5.00 and is open to all Cub Scouts. Again, pre-registration is required by Friday, May 13th. The \$2.00 penalty fee mentioned above also applies, NO EXCEPTIONS. You may register in person at the council office, or if you prefer, you may send the council your payment and registration information via mail or fax. If none of these options work for you and you are computer savvy, a final option is for you to pay for the event via the council website at www.chicagobsa.org. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Ms. Linda Helm, Cub Scout Chairman. Please plan accordingly for inclement weather.

Training

Outdoor Leader Skills Training will be held during the 2005 spring camporee at Camp Falcon/Sullivan, located on 147th St. and Oak Park Ave. This training covers a two-day period, and three meals will be provided. The cost per participant is \$20.00 and is perhaps one of the most beneficial and exciting training courses the council has to offer. You may register in person at the council office, or if you prefer, you may send the council your payment and registration information via mail or fax. If none of these options work for you and you are computer savvy, you may pay for the event via the council website at www.chicagobsa.org. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Mr. Charlie Hall, District Training Chairman.

2005 Annual Woodbadge Dinner

The Chicago Area Council 2005 Annual Woodbadge Dinner is scheduled for Thursday, March 26th, 2005 at the Lido, located at 5504 N. Milwaukee Ave. This special occasion honors all members of the 2004 Woodbadge class and their efforts in completing the Woodbadge challenge. The cost for this event is \$20.00 per person, and is open to all Scouters. Reservations are due no later than Friday, May 20th 2005, and reservations will not be accepted at the door. You may register in person or send your payment and reservations to the council office at 1218 W. Adams via mail or fax. You may also prepay for the Woodbadge Dinner online via the council website at www.chicagobsa.org. Please plan on attending this most important event.

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Spring Round-up

April and May are spring roundup months. This is the time to interest those boys who are looking for something fun to do this summer. If you haven’t already, plan your spring round-up now! Have a pizza night or an out door activity, where Scouts can invite a friend to sign up. Think about the future, kindergarteners are now Tiger Cubs and 5th graders are now Boy Scouts. Plans are being set in place on the district level to include an inschool visit and a joining night for your pack, much like the Fall. If you have a date already in mind, please contact the district membership chair, Barb Santoyo or District Director, Brent Harty .

Scouting is a Year Round Program!

Spring, summer, and fall are valuable seasons for the Scouting program. Every Cub Scout Pack should earn the National Summertime Pack Award. Every troop should attend a full-term BSA summer camp. Every crew should have their annual Super Activity, and summer is a great time to do it. This is what our Scouts signed up to do...the adventure of outdoor Scouting. It is estimated that 61% of our Boy Scouts attended summer camp last year. Let’s make 70% our minimum goal! If you have any questions on what your unit can do, come to roundtable to get ideas, attend Arrowhead District activities, or contact someone on the district level. Remember, Scouting is outing!

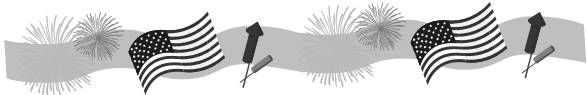
Day Camp 2005!

Get your cowboy gear ready and mark your calendars for Wednesday, July 27th through July 29th for the Wild, Wild West Day Camp! Cub Scout day camp will be held at the same site again, at Moraine Valley Community Church, 8601 West 107th St. Palos Hills. A boy joins Cub Scouts because somewhere he saw or heard that Scouting provides the excitement and fun of camping and the great outdoors. He wants to share that excitement with the members of his den and with his parents as a member of his own Cub Scout

Pack. This is what he expects, and this is what we owe him as his Cub Scout leaders. All Cub Scouts, including new Tiger Scouts, are invited and encouraged to attend. Last year, only 12 of our 39 packs attended, and only 94 Cub Scouts of the total 1,126 in the district attended! We need to get more of our Cub Scouts to day camp and fill it to its capacity. Let’s all get our Cub Scouts in on the fun! In April and May, our day camp team wants to come and make a presentation to your pack at your monthly pack meeting to encourage your families to attend. They will also make sure that you have the day camp registration forms, so that you can turn in your registrations before the deadline. Registrations will be accepted anytime by April 30, 2005. The final deadline to register for day camp is June 30, 2005. NO ON-SITE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE TAKEN AND NONE WILL BE TAKEN AFTER JUNE 30, 2005. Camp will be limited to 200 Cub Scouts. Camp Director Sue does not want to turn away any Scout. As you can imagine, it takes time to place orders for supplies, so please have your registrations in on time. There will be no exceptions to this rule. To contact the day camp director, call Susan Callan. Thanks, Sue, for the outstanding work you have put in again this year for our Cub Scouts!

Scout O Rama 2005

Come strut your Scout spirit at the upcoming Arrowhead District Scout O Rama, June 11-12 at the Palos Park Recreation Center, 8901 W. 123rd St. This is not only going to be a great activity for your troop and pack, but a great time to show the surrounding communities what is going on in local in Scouting. Not only will we be assisting in flag retirement ceremonies, but there will also be awards given out to units regarding, Best Boy Scout booth, Best Cub Scout booth, Best Campsite and People's Choice. Cost is \$10.00 per unit and \$1.00 Scout. Contact Art Santoyo for more details.



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In Remembrance

We remember those who have given their very best to the youth of Fort Dearborn. Velma Kiraly- District Scouter, Marvin Webster-former Scoutmaster Troop 822, Herman Feldman- Scouter Troop 822, Dr. Fred Kurnick-Scouting Coordinator Troop 822 & Pack 3822. Family members remembered include Germaine Cuis, Maryann Kas, Ed Malenowski, Lindberg Bean, Yolanda Ericson. We encourage each unit to observe a moment of silence in remembrance of the Scouters and family members who have passed.

On May 27th thru 30th (Memorial Day Weekend) a contingent from the “Friends of Fort Dearborn” will be reserving cabins at Owasippi Scout Reservation. Cabins will be reserved for the weekend at a cost of \$65.00. As a part of our commitment we will clean the cabins and the area around Reneker and Staff Village. There will be plenty of time for FUN activities! This is a GREAT WEEKEND to enjoy the beauty of Owasippe!! For information and reservations call Bob Ott. This opportunity is open to everyone, invite the entire family!

District Annual Recognition Dinner

The Fort Dearborn Annual Recognition Dinner will take place on Wednesday May 25th 2005 at the La Villa Restaurant located at 3638 North Pulaski. A reception will begin at 6:00pm followed by dinner at 7:00pm. The cost is \$22. per person. Reservation must be in by May 13th. Come join our Scouting family as we celebrate our friendships and make new friends! We will be honoring the 2005 Award of Merit winners!

Friends of Scouting

Thank you for all who participated in the Friends of Scouting Campaign. Your response has been GREAT! If you have not yet given, please consider giving to the Friends of Scouting. If your unit would like a presentation. Please call John Scott. District members please forward your gift to Joan Ott. As we get closer and closer to our goal let's all celebrate Scouting in the Fort Dearborn District!

Spring Camporee

May 13, 14th and 15th are the dates for the Fort Dearborn Spring Camporee. The place is the Chain o Lakes State Park. We have numerous units committed to this event! Circle these dates as a must go event! Register by calling Chuck Kmie. More information will be available at roundtable and our website www.fortdearborn.org Plan to bring your unit out!

Spring Recruitment

Indian Trails District

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District Commissioner
John Mazurek
District Executive
Joe Stocchero



Web Site: www.cacindiantrails.org

District Executive
Arthur Wiegla
OA Chapter Advisor - Nacha AllunsChapter
Val Mertens
Support Service
Michelle Black

Condolences

The district would like to express our feelings of loss and sorrow to all who were touched by the goodness, friendship and greatness of Pope John Paul II. His ardent defense of youth and family has been unparalleled throughout history. His devotion to the moral development of youth and the sanctity of family stands as a beacon to all of us and serves as a shield against those who would foster the breakdown of traditional family values, ethics and morals.

Coast Guard Station Wilmette Open House/ Water Safety Day

Coast Guard Station Wilmette will be having an open house and a Water Safety Day!!! Come by in your uniform and see the boats and other equipment that the Coast Guard and the Coast Guard Auxiliary use to keep people safe on the water and to save their lives in case they get into trouble!!! Venturers, this is a great opportunity to add a little excitement into your program!!! Talk to the Coast Guard Auxiliaries about how your crew can get out on the water for the Air & Water Show and weekly fireworks!!! Call to find out more: Arthur Wielga.

Friends of Scouting

Our DISTRICT FOS campaign is still running. Let's remain focused on the fact that FOS helps out MANY different aspects of day-to-day district Scouting activities! Be sure to find out when your unit's FOS event will happen. By scheduling a presentation you give those associated with Scouting the choice and another way to help support the childrens' activities. Let's support the district by having 100% participation. If you have not scheduled yet call: Pat Conroy or Joe Stocchero.

Rechartering

Only a couple of charters are still out. Let's remember that this impacts your ability to provide adequate insurance coverage for your activities!!!

Boy Scout and Cub Scout Spring Recruiting

It would be great to do Boy Scout and Cub Scout recruiting this spring. We believe that if boys really knew what a summer camp experience is like, they would be lining up to join. Also, remember that we can recruit kindergartners in the spring, because as of June 1, they will be First Graders and are officially Tiger Cubs. Please schedule an open house and call Arthur Wielga with your information. Arthur can also help with fliers and other printed materials. Also if you would like an Owasippe Promotion Presentation, please call Val Mertens.

Our charters are in and we have had a large loss in membership! Now is the time to recoup the loss with an active spring recruitment! Troops look to those Webelos II boys who have not registered with any troop. Packs, invite kindergarten boys who will form new Tiger dens! Crews, contact those older Scouts who are no longer registered with a troop! Let's hold an OPEN HOUSE! Invite youth and their parents to see what your unit is all about and show the benefits of the Scouting program. Need some help? Call John Scott.

Cub Scout Day Camp

Come one, Come all to the “Wild West Roundup” on June 22, 23, & 24th! The place is North Park Village located at 5800 North Pulaski, the time is 8:30am until 3:15pm each day! The cost is \$50.00 per Scout and \$15.00 per adult. Fee includes Camp T-shirt and a patch! Cub Leaders get the gang together and come on out to a “Great Time”! Applications and health forms are available at roundtable and online at www.fortdearborn.org. Registration cut off is June 1st to ensure sufficient staff and materials. One day adult registrations are available for adults only at \$10.00 per day which includes a t-shirt and patch. For more information, please contact Cynthia Redwood.

Troop Thunderbird Opportunities!

Each year numerous troops in the Fort Dearborn District attend summer camp at Owasippe. Sometimes a Scout is unable to attend camp when their troop does or a unit does not have enough leaders. We do not want anyone to miss out on a GREAT ADVENTURE! So, if there is a unit who is lacking leaders or a boy who can not attend with their regular troop, call Craig Johnson and we can coordinate with other units to ensure a great summer experience for all! Don't stay home, take advantage of this opportunity!

Keep In Touch!

For the latest information for the Fort Dearborn District log on to the Fort Dearborn Web Site at www.fortdearborn.org. Are you having a special event or attended a special event why not submit it to our Web site to share with everyone!

Alright 'Pardner, Saddle Up for a Howlin' Good Time at Day Camp

Shar (Camp Director) and Cynthia (Program Director) are busily preparing for another stupendous summer day camp. This year's theme is “Wild Wild West”. They have plenty of great ideas that will not only entertain, but educate!!! Day Camp Corral will be happening at North Park Village from June 22-24. Leader, helping out at day camp is a really rewarding experience and is a tremendous learning experience as well. It is a chance to hone your skills in a friendly environment under the aid of experienced Cubmasters and our district's most exceptional leaders. For more information, or if you would like to help out, please call Shar Wyatt or Cynthia Redwood.

Roundtable

Please, let's remember that roundtable is a time for the experienced to help those who might need a little help with their programs. It is also a good time hone your own abilities and see what is going on in the district. Last month, Irv taught a great piece on marlinspike seamanship (knots, hitches and bends). It was a great opportunity to maintain skills as well as learn something new. We would also like to extend a special invitation to new volunteers especially from the new units that joined the Scouting world this past year. Roundtables are held on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm at Our Lady of Victory, located at Sunnyside & Laramie, (west off of Milwaukee on Sunnyside).

Spring Camporee “Twisted Games”/ Crossovers

This years spring camporee will be held from May 20 – 22 at Hoover. The theme is “Twisted Games”. Lets all show up and see what kind of “Twisted Fun” the “Twisted Staff” came up with. This is an opportunity to bring those Webelos crossovers out on a campout. Speaking of crossovers, we hope all units have either had or will soon have a crossover ceremony. If not, maybe this would be a good time to do one. If you would like the Order of the Arrow to come help at your crossover ceremony, call Joe Stocchero.

Boy Scout Leader Training

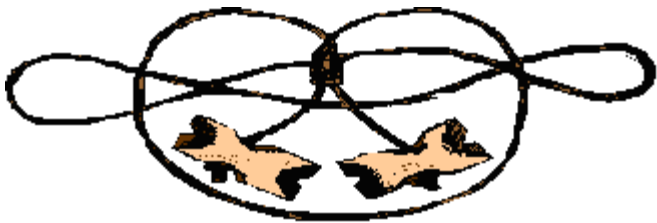
We would like to thank the staff of the training evolution for bringing out the best in all the volunteers and preparing a new group for their journey into leading Boy Scouts!! Job well done!!! We would also like to thank Marc Merel for accepting the position of Boy Scout Training Chair.



TRAINING

TRAINING CHAIRMAN
William Finkler

TRAINING ADVISOR
Roberto Colon



It's our Annual Woodbadge Dinner

Remember This Date: Thursday, May 26, 2005

Where? The Lido
5504 North Milwaukee Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Time: 6:00 p.m. Fellowship & 7:00 p.m. Dinner

What to Bring?
Woodbadge Memorabilia
Patrol Flags, Pictures, Totems

Cost: \$20.00 per person

Get all of your patrol together, bring your family and friends.

Reservations are due by May 20, 2005

Remember – No reservations at the door

(Note on check or money order Woodbadge Dinner)

(Cut off here, fill out the form, and enclose the bottom portion to reserve your spot.)

Name: _____ Patrol: _____

Address: _____

Number of People attending: _____ Amount enclosed: _____

Mail to:

Woodbadge
Chicago Area Council,



POPCORN

Kevin Wilson
Staff Advisor

Get Ready Now for the
2005 Popcorn Sale!



WHY SELL POPCORN?
HERE ARE 10 REASONS WHY!

1. Pay for your whole year's Scouting program with just one popcorn sale.
2. Cover all your unit's activities and supplies with the commission you get from popcorn
3. Get more parents excited by eliminating their out-of-pocket expenses.
4. Save time by managing the sale online – no paperwork.
5. Increase your council and unit income – 70% stays local.
6. Boost a boy's future – Scouts can qualify the Trail's End Scholarships for college or other post high school education by selling popcorn.
7. Attend the next Jamboree and have it paid for.
8. Teach boys how great it feels to earn their own way.
9. Help your Scouts strike gold – top sellers can win great prizes.
10. Plan your entire year, budget all the costs, and raise the money you need in the fall.

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Get your unit ready for the
sale now by selecting your
unit “popcorn kernel.”

Key Sale Dates

September 28
Show & Deliver Sale order due

October 8
Show & Deliver product distribution

November 4
Take Order Sale order due

November 19
Take Order distribution

OUTDOOR PROGRAM

Notes from the Director of Camping

Medical Form Requirements for Summer Camp:

Class 1: Cub Parent Weekends (youth and adults).

Class 1&2: (Requires a physical examination in the past 36 months):

All participants age 39 and under in Cub & Webelos resident camps, Boy Scout resident camp, and camp.

Class 3: (Requires a physical examination in the past 12 months):

All participants Age 40 and older in Cub & Webelos resident camps and Boy Scout resident camp, all Manistee Quest participants (youth included), and Reneker participants.

Free Outposts

Horse rides, Project C.O.P.E., fishing outpost for CAC Scouts at Owasisippe. Some programs subject to limited availability.

Early Bird Fees Due

Summer Camp "Early Bird Fees" deadline: postmarked by May 31, 2005 for both Hoover and Owasisippe.

Refrigerators Needed

Owasisippe needs donations of a few refrigerators for Camp Reneker.

Webelos II Volunteers needed:

We anticipate needing volunteers to help make Webelos II Camp and Boy Scout Camp happen at the same time at Camp Wolverine. Please call if you can help out.

Steve Adams



MANISTEE QUEST
HIGH ADVENTURE

The Manistee Quest, at Owasisippe Scout Reservation, is comprised of backpacking treks and canoe voyages through the Manistee National Forest. All participants **MUST** be 13 years old by January 1st of the year they participate. Week long sessions will be available for all six periods and will begin on Sunday and end on Saturday. An 18+ year old guide, specially trained in the area of backpacking/canoeing and BSA Lifeguard, will accompany your trek. All participants of canoe treks must pass the BSA swimmer's test. Your adventure will culminate in a steak fry and campfire on Friday evening.

Try it!
Based on the positive feedback received, this program needs more participants! The Owasisippe committee has made a provision for more Scouts to attend by dropping the leadership requirement. So, if an individual Scout or a few Scouts want to attend a backpack/canoe trek but don't have two leaders, they still can participate if we have room in a trek. We can only support a couple of treks per week, so sign-up early.

Here are the options:

- Backpack only \$225/person (minimum 3 Scouts/provide 2 adults)
- Backpack/Canoe \$245/person (minimum 4 Scouts/provide 2 adults)
- Backpack/Canoe \$265/person (minimum 4 Scouts/provide 1 adult)
- Backpack/Canoe \$285/person (individual Scout fee)

There will be a discount for units who provide leadership to individual Scouts who want to participate.

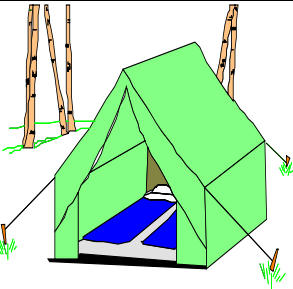
Philmont

Registrations are now open for a July 15, 2006 departure of 36 Scouts and leaders. To start with each troop can sign up anywhere from one to four Scouts. If you have four Scouts we can guarantee your troop an adult spot for this once in a lifetime activity. We may even have some slots for 2005 left. If you would like to work on this committee, contact Steve Fee or Steve Adams. Applications can be obtained from the Web site below.

<http://home.att.net/~bsachicago/philmont>

What is Philmont? Philmont is the largest Scout camp in the world, over 137,000 acres that is almost as big as Chicago. It is located in northeast New Mexico in the Sangre de Cristo mountain range. With elevations ranging from 6,621 feet at base camp to 12,441 feet at the peak of Old Baldy Mountain. Since 1940 it has hosted over seven hundred thousand Scouts from around the world. Scouts hike for 10 days in this beautiful mountain country away from civilization. On five of the nights you will be in one of over 35 staffed camps with planned program ranging from Indian Lore to fishing, to star gazing, to rock climbing. Scouts carry all they need to eat and live on their backs, and find their way with map and compass while backpacking about 50 miles to get back to base camp.

Each group is never more than 12 people, but at the opening campfire Scouts will be with over two hundred people, that will be leaving base camp at the same time on any one of over 30 different treks that are offered. Of all Scouting activities, this is one that many people remember for the rest of their lives.



HOOVER WEEKENDS

Camp Hoover is available most weekends for tent camping and cabin camping. Hoover's 406 acres offer trails for hiking, archery, bb guns, indoor pool (late April through early October), and an outdoor setting for your members to work on advancements. Troops and packs are welcome to help the camp with service projects. Reservations are now being taken through December 2005. For more information, call the the Camping Department.

2005 Fees		
<u>Fees for Weekends</u>	<u>Chicago Area</u>	<u>Other Councils</u>
Campsite	FREE	\$2 per Scout
Winter Campsite	FREE	\$3 per Scout
<u>Buildings</u>		
Baden Powell/Hoover/Staff 1/Staff 2	\$200	\$250
Cluster 2/Cluster 3	\$320	\$365
Rice	\$350	\$400
<u>Pool</u>		
<u>(operates last weekend of April through first weekend of October)</u>		
Up to 20 people	\$70 /hr	\$85 /hr
21-40	\$95/hr	\$120/hr
41-60	\$130/hr	\$170/hr
61-90	\$170/hr	\$210/hr
91-150	\$200/hr	\$240/hr

Experience the Wild West at
Hoover Cub Summer Camp

At the following camp programs, all meals, tents with floorboards, and cots are provided.

PARENT & PAL WEEKENDS:
When: June 24 – 26, July 8-10, August 5-7
Cost: \$75 per person (youth and adults) if paid by May 31st. \$90 per person after that date. A Cub and parent may attend, or bring the whole family (additional family members \$50 each)

For parents and Scouts looking for a western adventure and a great summer camp all in one weekend, take a trip to camp Hoover where there are games, swimming, shooting sports and adventure. This camp is a great experience for first time campers and younger Scouts.

Required: Complete Health History portion of the health form (Class 1).

WEBELOS:
When: July 15-19
Cost: \$150 if paid by May 31st. Adult fee \$75. Add \$20 late fee after May 31st.

We are looking for brave Scouts to visit the Wild West. There will be games, shooting sports, and swimming. This camp is for all Webelos Scouts. This western adventure will be four nights and five days of program that is created specifically with Webelos in mind.
Required: All attending overnight camp must complete a health form (Class 1 & 2) that **MUST** be signed by a physician.

CUB RESIDENT CAMP:
When: July 22-26; July 29 – August 2
Cost: \$150 if paid by May 31st and \$170 after May 31st. Adult fee is \$75.

What can Cubs do at resident camps?
Answer: swim; play games; work on advancements; go fishing; learn about the wild west; do a conservation project; shoot archery and BB's; make a craft; take a nature hike; learn knots; AND MORE.

Required: All attending overnight camp must complete a health form (Class 1 & 2) that



SPRING
AT
OWASIPPE

Scouting families and units are invited to visit Owasisippe in the spring. It's truly a beautiful time of year with wildflowers in bloom. Campsites are available year-round for a minimum of \$25 (Unit camping is free with a \$25 security deposit). Reneker cabins rent for \$40/night; Staff Village for \$60/night; and Lake Cabins for \$60 or \$75/nights. Please note that cabins are closed until May 1st. Call the camping department for details.



ORDER OF THE ARROW

Any comments or questions regarding the Order of the Arrow should be directed to our Lodge Adviser, Ted Kumzi at (708) 425-7445. e.mail: tkumzi@matsci.com - website: http://www.owasippelodge.com

OWASIPPE LODGE 7
Order of the Arrow

What's in The Name - "Owasippe Lodge #7"

In the summer of 1915, two leaders, E. Urner Goodman and Carroll A. Edson of the Philadelphia Council Camp at Treasure Island, sought a definite system of recognizing those Scouts who best represented the Scout Oath and Law. They organized the Wimachtendienk Wingolauchsik Witahemui, W W W, later known as the Order of the Arrow. In 1921 Carroll Edson became the Field Scout Executive for the South Shore District in the Chicago Council. In that same year, Edson became Director of Camp James E. West at the Owasippe Camps and introduced the W.W.W. to the Camp. During the 1920's, additional lodges were chartered to the 5 Owasippe Camps, one per each council's district.

- "MOQUA 7" - Camp James E. West, South Shore District
- "WAKAY 13" - Camp Dan Beard, North Shore District
- "CHECAUGAU 21" - Camp Checaugau, Northwest District
- "BLACKHAWK 23" - Camp Blackhawk, West Side District
- "GARRISON 25" - Camp McDonald, Southwest District

E. Urner Goodman came to Chicago and served as the Council Scout Executive from 1927 to 1931. He brought Alfred C. Nichols with him from Philadelphia. Nichols had been the 4th. National Chief and served the Chicago Council for many years as the Council Activities Director and Chief Camp Director. The W.W.W. had a strong foundation and thrived at the Owasippe camps and the Chicago Council through the guidance of the three Executives Goodman, Edson and Nichols. In January of 1929, to conform to National Lodge Policy, the 5 lodges were re-organized into one lodge with 5 district chapters, each representing one of the original lodges. These chapters retained their own name, totem and strong programs. The delegates from these chapters chose "Owasippe" as the name for the re-organized lodge. This name was fitly chosen based on this rich history beginning at Owasippe.

There have been some rumors floating about and presumptions being made that in the event a sale of the Owasippe Scout Camp is finalized, our lodge will no longer exist or at the very least our name will have to be changed. This is far from reality. Both Owasippe Scout Camp and Owasippe Lodge #7 have extensive and rich histories. We are proud to share the Owasippe name. Although we would significantly feel the loss of the Owasippe Scout Camp, the lodge is not dependent on its survival. The OA is an integral part of the council's program with each lodge chartered through i

Rest assured that our lodge will continue. Our lodge will continue to support camping and camps with hopes it will include Owasippe. Our Lodge will continue to honor those Scouts who "best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives." Our Lodge will continue to provide service, activities, adventure and training to develop leadership and programs that enrich and help extend Scouting to America's youth. Our lodge name will remain Owasippe Lodge. Feel free to spread the word. For all the history buffs out there you can find a more detailed lodge history on the Owasippelodge.com web site.

Continuing Traditions at Owasippe

It is time to give support to our camp rangers. It is time to support the camp staff that will be providing a great summer camp experience. Owasippe Lodge will be holding their annual Memorial Work Weekend at the Owasippe Scout Reservation on May 27 - 30. All interested Scouts and Scouters, skilled and unskilled are invited to join us and help provide some the needed repairs and services to our premier Summer Camp. This weekend will be filled with many opportunities for fun, fellowship, and relaxation. The service you provide will directly benefit all scouts attending summer camp this year.

Upcoming Lodge Events:

May 4	Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
May 14	Community Day of Service
May 27-30	Memorial Work Weekend / Vigil Induction, Owasippe Scout Reservation
May 29	Lodge Executive Committee Meeting – Owasippe Scout Reservation
June 18	Hoover Summer Camp Set-Up
June 26	Owasippe Summer Camp Program Begins

Upcoming Chapter Meeting Dates:

Leke Netopolis Chapter	May 10 th ,	June 7 th
Kittan Chapter	May 9 th ,	June 13 th
Mantowagan Chapter	May 17 th ,	No June Meeting
Nacha Alluns Chapter	May 25 th ,	June 15 th
Gete Manitu Chapter	May 5 th ,	No June Meeting

REGISTRATION FORM
OWASIPPE LODGE 2005 SUMMER INDUCTIONS

NOTE: Register at your section camp by Monday night prior to the induction weekend or mail pre-registration to the council office at least two weeks before coming to camp.
All candidates and Arrowmen arriving from Chicago on the Friday of the Induction Weekend must pre-register and check-in at Camp Wolverine's South Lodge before 9:00 PM (Michigan time)
All Arrowmen attending an Induction Weekend and/or Banquet must register.

I Will Be Attending Section Camp: ____ Blackhawk ____ Wolverine
Period (circle) 1 2 3 4 5 6

Personal Information

Please print neatly and complete ALL entries for proper process-

Full Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Birth Date _____ Unit No. _____

Chapter / District _____

Council (if not member of CAC) _____

Induction Session

- ____ Session #1 Date: July 1-2, 2005
- ____ Session #2 Date: July 15-16, 2005
- ____ Session #3 Date: July 29-30, 2004

Induction Costs

- ____ \$25.00 Ordeal Candidates
- ____ \$21.50 Out-of-Council Candidates
- ____ \$12.00 For Arrowman Attending the Weekend
- ____ \$6.00 For Arrowman Attending the Banquet only

Medical Release

In the event I cannot be reached in a emergency, I hereby give permission selected by Owasippe Lodge, the designated representative of the Boy Scouts of America, to authorize medical or surgical treatment, on routine, non-surgical medical care, to hospitalize, to secure proper anesthesia, or to order injections.

Please indicate below any current or past medical conditions or any known allergies:

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature* _____ Date _____

* If registrant is a minor, a parent or guardian must sign



The Chicago Area



May 2005

SCOUTS YOU SHOULD KNOW



Cub Scout Pack 3465



Boy Scout Troop 465

On February 20th, Cub Scout Pack 3465 and Boy Scout Troop 465 celebrated Scout Mass at Five Holy Martyrs Parish. The Scouts celebrate Scout Mass every third Sunday of the month. Father Grupchinski presided over mass along with several selected Boy Scouts who read the first and second readings.

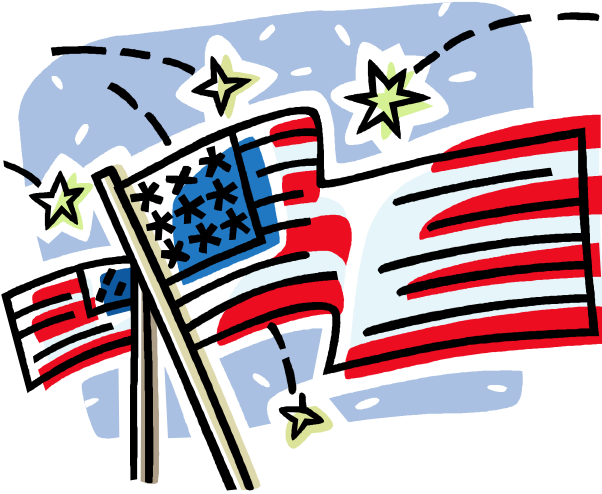
After mass, the Cub Scouts of Pack 3465 received their religious awards after they were blessed by Father Jerry. Awards were presented to the following Scouts: Balfred Riggs, Daniel Fernandez, Alejandro Tinono, Oscar Tinoco, Dakota Dausman, Michael Puleikis, Luis Riggs, Andro Maldanaldo, Eric Cahue, Edson Trujillo and Jose Enriquez. Congratulations to all!

Five Holy Martyrs is the site of Pope John Paul II's visit to Chicago 26 Years ago. The Papal Alter where the Pope said mass for around 17,000 people is still visible in the parking lot of the parish.

Cub Scout Pack 3465 is celebrating 69 years and Boy Scout Troop 465 is celebrating 75 years of

SCOUTING AHEAD

<u>MAY</u>	
4	OA Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
8	Mother's Day
17	Owasippe Committee Meeting
27-29	Owasippe Work Weekend
30	Memorial Day (Office Closed)



Mother's Day